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BRUCE EDWARDS IVINS, Ph.D., white male, date of birth 04/22/1946, SSAN [REDACTED] was contacted at his place of employment, the United States Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases (USAMRIID), for the purposes of transporting individual to the Hilton Garden Inn, Frederick, Maryland while sealed Federal Grand Jury (FGJ) search warrants were being executed on numerous locations associated with IVINS. IVINS was advised of the official identities of the agents, SSA [REDACTED] FBI whom IVINS was familiar with, and SSA [REDACTED] United States Postal Inspection Service. The purpose of the current interaction with federal agents was articulated and optional. IVINS provided the following information:

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IVINS was met at the front portico of USAMRIID at 8:10 pm by Supervisory Special Agent (SSA) [REDACTED] and United States Postal Inspector, SSA [REDACTED]. IVINS exited USAMRIID building [REDACTED] with fellow FBI Special Agents (SA), SA [REDACTED] and SA [REDACTED] after concluding a voluntary interview conducted by the FBI at USAMRIID. SSA [REDACTED] explained to IVINS that Federal Search Warrants were about to be executed at numerous locations and that arrangements had been made to provide accommodations for IVINS and his family since his personal residence was involved. IVINS stated that he wanted to speak with his lawyer. SSA [REDACTED] explained to IVINS that he was not under arrest, was free to leave at any time, could speak with his attorney at any time, and if interested could be taken to the Hilton Garden Inn, Frederick, Maryland. IVINS accepted the offer for accommodations, entered SSA [REDACTED] vehicle and was seated in the front passengers seat. SSA [REDACTED] sat directly behind IVINS in the second row seat after a short conversation with SAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] under the portico.

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SSAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] explained to IVINS that arrangements would be made to acquire any and all medications needed and that food would be provided. IVINS advised that he, in fact, did need his medications from both home and work, and that "he was not hungry, he was too nervous to eat". SSA [REDACTED] told IVINS that his medications from his personal residence and his

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by SSA [REDACTED]
SSA [REDACTED]

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place of employment would be promptly collected and given to him personally at the hotel. IVINS then inquired about SSA [redacted] present state of health and proceeded to state the gross facts regarding a motor vehicle accident (MVA) writer was involved in back in August 2004. SSA [redacted] never had disclosed the facts or circumstances of this accident with IVINS on any occasion, or any other individual at USAMRIID.

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When asked if he (IVINS) was familiar with the search warrant process, IVINS said he was not. SSA [redacted] explained that numerous locations associated with him (IVINS) were going to be searched. It was also explained that his (IVINS) personnel possessions, and those of his family, would be treated with respect [redacted] SSAs [redacted] and [redacted] exited USAMRIID with IVINS at 8:25 pm. IVINS asked if he could call his attorney and advised he did not have a phone. SSA [redacted] advised that he was free to call anyone he wanted, when he wanted, and that arrangements could be made for phone access, or that he could use my (SSA [redacted] phone. IVINS did not accept the offer.

In regards to the searches, SSA [redacted] asked IVINS if he was worried about those searches. IVINS stated that he was. After a few minutes IVINS explained that he does things a "middle age man should not do" and that those things would "not be acceptable to most people". He further explained that in the basement of his personal residence is a bag of material that he uses to "cross-dress". No further detail was provided, nor asked for. SSA [redacted] explained to IVINS that both he and SSA [redacted] were not here to judge him and that he was free to do what he wanted in his own home as long as it did not hurt anyone. SSA [redacted] then pointed out the fact that after this very personal disclosure, he (IVINS) still looked anxious and preoccupied. IVINS then articulated that he did not want to be labeled a "mass killer or terrorist". SSA [redacted] told IVINS that he had known him for a long time and did not view him in that light. IVINS stated that he could not believe we thought he could be the "anthrax mailer". These are words that were never used together by SSAs [redacted] or [redacted] during this interaction. SSA [redacted] told IVINS that he believed the mailer never meant to hurt anyone because the mailings were taped, disclosed the presence of anthrax, and warned the recipients to take penicillin, an acceptable and appropriate treatment for anthrax exposure. IVINS did not verbally respond but

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physically exhibited a dramatic jerking body movement in his seat, paused, and looked to the floor.

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When asked if there were any other items that would be of interest to the FBI, IVINS responded that there were boxes of paper materials also in the basement tucked up against a wall, but the FBI could not view these materials since he labeled them "attorney-client privilege". SSA [] asked IVINS if he had ever taken classified material from USAMRIID home, or would there be any classified materials in those boxes, IVINS responded "yes" he believed there were.

IVINS spontaneously articulated, and not in response to any questioned asked by SSAs [] or [] that [] had asked him in the past if he ever had sex with []. IVINS proceeded to answer his own question and said that he had not. SSA [] asked would there be anything in any of the search locations, such as hazardous materials or biological materials of any kind, especially in the residence that could hurt anyone conducting a search. IVINS replied that there were no hazardous materials and no "anthrax" would be found. IVINS was asked again if he would like to get something to eat at a local restaurant to which he responded, "he could not eat at this time".

SSAs [] and [] arrived at the Hilton Garden Inn, Frederick, Maryland at 8:38 pm where IVINS asked if he could call his attorney. SSA [] responded again that he was free to call whomever he wish, and that he was not in custody. IVINS asked where his room was and SSAs [] and [] escorted IVINS to his room. At the door IVINS again asked if he was in custody to which SSA [] again responded no. IVINS was provided with his room key.

SSAs [] and [] entered the adjoining room from where the two would provide any logistical support needed by IVINS during his stay, to include the delivery of his medicine, and vehicle and house keys post search. IVINS entered SSAs [] and [] room through the adjoining door moments after his initial entry to his (IVINS) room. IVINS sat down, accepted a can of soda but refused food. At 8:52 pm the telephone in IVINS' room rang and was answered by IVINS who requested, I (SSA []) speak with his attorney, named [] (ph). [] (ph) stated that he was out of town and asked if his client was in custody to

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which I (SSA [redacted]) replied no. I insisted that any future contact should be done through the United States Attorneys Office, in the District of Columbia, with Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) [redacted]. [redacted] (ph) further stated that he thought it was highly atypical for his client to be next to a room of federal agents. SSA [redacted] explained to [redacted] (ph) that the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) usually does not provide housing when executing federal search warrants but due to the fact these warrants were being executed at night, and the FBI and Department of Justice (DOJ) were trying to do everything in their power to prevent this incident from being reported in the national press, that we believed this was the appropriate course of action. [redacted] (ph) told me he was going to advise his client to promptly leave, I (SSA [redacted]) responded that he is free to go, but advised we would need to be able to contact his client to deliver his evening medicines, and his vehicle and house keys post search. [redacted] (ph) asked to speak with his client again to which I handed over the phone to IVINS. SSAs [redacted] and [redacted] were subsequently provided with [redacted] contact numbers via IVINS; [redacted] and [redacted] (cell), on Hilton Garden Inn stationary at the end of this call. IVINS at the conclusion of his call with his attorney [redacted] (ph) provided SSAs [redacted] and [redacted] with a hand written note on Hilton Garden Inn stationary, dictated by [redacted]. The note read: (verbatim)

"I Bruce Ivins hereby refuse to speak to anyone or answer any questions without the presence of my attorney.

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9:13 P.M."

The door to the adjoining rooms was then shut by IVINS. SSAs [redacted] and [redacted] had no further contact with IVINS attorney, [redacted] (ph).

At 9:13 pm an individual knocked on the adjoining door which was opened by SSA [redacted]. The individual who knocked was IVINS, who subsequently introduced SSAs [redacted] and [redacted] to his second lawyer, attorney [redacted] (ph), sent to the Hilton Garden Inn by attorney [redacted] (ph). IVINS introduced us (SSAs [redacted] to [redacted] (ph) as [redacted] and then asked if [redacted] was also a doctor. [redacted] (ph) quickly admonished IVINS, and subsequently advised IVINS to refer to us as "Special Agents" [redacted] and [redacted].

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At 10:09 pm, SSAs [] and [] knocked on the adjoining door and turned over four bottles of medication requested by IVINS; two bottles of Ambien, one bottle of Celexa, one bottle of Diazepam. IVINS was given his open can of caffeine free Pepsi from SSAs [] and [] hotel room to use while taking his medication; he abstained from taking granola bar, pizza or other nourishment.

At 6:27 am, on November 2, 2007 SSA [] knocked on the adjoining door and returned the multiple vehicle and house keys to IVINS.

At 8:54 am SSAs [] and [] checked out of the room at the Hilton Garden Inn, Frederick, Maryland and had no further contact with IVINS.

The hand written notes from IVINS and the time log was put to an FD-340 1A envelope and filed appropriately.